

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

COMPETITIVE PRODUCT PRICES
PRIORITY MAIL & FIRST-CLASS PACKAGE SERVICE
CONTRACT 5 (MC2015-57)
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

Docket No. CP2015-85

**MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF**
(June 24, 2016)

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for temporary relief, to allow the existing contract in this docket to remain in effect until its successor contract takes effect. The successor contract is being filed today in Docket Nos. MC2016-158 and CP2016-229. The customer whose competitive product rates were established in this docket wishes to renew its commitment to sending large volumes of Priority Mail and First-Class Package Service for the next year at negotiated rates. By the terms of the contract filed in this docket, the current rates will expire on July 2, 2016.

The Postal Service and the customer have been working cooperatively over the past month to reach a new agreement, which would have avoided any interruption in the Postal Service's ability to provide this customer access to negotiated rates. However, the parties were not able to complete the successor contract and file it with the Commission more than 15 days prior to the termination date of the existing contract. Nevertheless, the Postal Service has today filed the successor contract with the Commission in Docket Nos. MC2016-158 and CP2016-229.

The Postal Service respectfully requests that the Commission grant a brief extension to allow the existing contract to remain in effect until the successor contract

has been approved by the Commission and takes effect. Thus, the proposed extension would only last for a finite and relatively short period of time. In conclusion, for the reasons discussed above, and in consideration of the customers' business continuity, the Postal Service hereby moves for temporary relief to allow the existing contract to remain on the competitive products list until the successor contract takes effect.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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